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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Michael Ray McLAUGHLIN et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3728
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Application No. 10/672,825)	Examiner: David Fidei
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Filed: September 26, 2003)	Confirmation No. 8972
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For: PACKAGES, PACKAGING SYSTEMS,)	
METHODS OF PACKAGING AND)	
APPARATUS FOR PACKAGING)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In reply to the Office Action dated November 29, 2006, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the claimed invention in view of the following amendments and remarks. A two-month Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee accompany this Response and Amendment.

Amendments to the claims are reflected on the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.